

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 12 and 14-20 remain in this application. Claims 12 and 18 are amended. Claims 13, 21, and 22 are canceled.

Claims 12 and 14-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hennells. Applicants traverse this rejection.

Claim 12, as amended, recites: "...a first channel in said housing extending between said central aperture and the exterior of said housing through said internal bottom surface; a second channel exclusive of said first channel in said housing extending between said central aperture and the exterior of said housing through said side surface of said housing; and an opening in said housing extending between said central aperture and the exterior of said housing; said valve ring, when disposed at said internal bottom surface, blocking communication between said first and second channels and permitting communication between said opening and said second channel through said aperture extending through said valve ring and, when disposed at said top surface, permitting communication between said opening and said first and second channels." This arrangement of elements is not shown or suggested by Hennells. Claim 12 is therefore allowable.

Claims 14-20 depend from claim 12 and are allowable for at least the same reason as claim 12.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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